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representative of the spatial coordinates of at least one point lying within the area represented by the map; and
 an information server computer for storing information data representative of at least one place of interest within the geographical area, said data including data representative of the spatial coordinates of the place of interest within the area;
 the map server computer being arranged to receive a map request from a client computer to request transfer to a said client computer of the map data and to transmit the map data to said client computer in response thereto, the client computer having a visual display unit for displaying an image of the map, and
 the information server computer being arranged to receive an information request from said client computer to identify places of interest known to it and lying within the geographical area, and to transmit to said client computer in response thereto the data representative of at least one place of interest within the geographical area, whereby said data associated with the place of interest is displayed on the visual display unit of said client computer.

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36. A client computer comprising:
 a visual display unit;
 means for transmitting a map request to a map server computer to request transfer to the client computer of map data;
 means for transmitting an information request to an information server computer to identify places of interest known to the information server computer and lying within a geographical area; and
 means for displaying an image of a map and data relating to at least one of the places of interest on the visual display unit, wherein:
 the map server computer is arranged to store the map data representative of the geographical area and coordinate data representative of spatial coordinates of at least one point lying within the area represented by the map, and
 the information server computer is arranged to store information data representative of the at least one of the places of interest within the geographical area, said data including data representative of the spatial coordinates of a place of interest within the area.
37. The client computer of claim **36**, wherein the client computer is arranged to send location information, including a longitude and a latitude, within the map request.

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